

bill (H.R. 31) to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Wildomar Service Area Recycled Water Distribution Facilities and Alberhill Wastewater Treatment and Reclamation Facility Projects.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from the Virgin Islands?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the bill, as follows:

H.R. 31

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Wastewater and Recycled Water Facilities Act of 2007”.

SEC. 2. PROJECT AUTHORIZATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act (Public Law 102-575, title XVI; 43 U.S.C. 390h et seq.) is amended by adding after section 1636 the following:

“SEC. 1637. ELSINORE VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT PROJECTS, CALIFORNIA.

“(a) AUTHORIZATION.—The Secretary, in cooperation with the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, California, may participate in the design, planning, and construction of permanent facilities needed to establish recycled water distribution and wastewater treatment and reclamation facilities that will be used to treat wastewater and provide recycled water in the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, California.

“(b) COST SHARING.—The Federal share of the cost of each project described in subsection (a) shall not exceed 25 percent of the total cost of the project.

“(c) LIMITATION.—Funds provided by the Secretary under this section shall not be used for operation or maintenance of the projects described in subsection (a).

“(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section \$12,500,000.”.

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections in section 2 of Public Law 102-575 is amended by inserting after the item relating to section 1636 the following:

“Sec. 1637. Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District Projects, California”.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 31 will help the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District build a recycled water treatment and distribution system. This fast-growing area in southern California is heavily dependent on water from rivers and storage reservoirs that are hundreds of miles away. The modest financial assistance provided by H.R. 31 will help southern California reduce its reliance on imported water and help to sustain water supplies during droughts.

We have no objection to this non-controversial bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

RECOGNIZING VIRGINIA'S JAMES RIVER AS “AMERICA'S FOUNDING RIVER”

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Natural Resources be discharged from further consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 16) recognizing Virginia's James River as “America's Founding River,” and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from the Virgin Islands?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. Res. 16

Whereas Virginia's James River is considered a great natural asset of the United States for its historical, environmental, and economic significance;

Whereas the first permanent English settlement in America was founded on the banks of the James River at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1607;

Whereas, prior to European settlement, the James River was known as Powhatan River, a name associated with Chief Powhatan, who was a key figure in the relationship between the Native American tribes and the James-town settlement;

Whereas, for thousands of years, the James River provided a source of nourishment and enrichment to the Native American tribes that lived along its course;

Whereas the James River played a critical role in the founding of America by sustaining the early settlers with its bounty, providing valuable commodities to build the emerging economy of a new colony, and serving as a strategic transportation corridor that shaped the settlement and commerce of the region;

Whereas the James River is one of America's most historic rivers with over 1,100 historic landmarks within its watershed;

Whereas the James River watershed is home to the first colonial capital in America and to numerous founding fathers and presidents, including Thomas Jefferson, Patrick Henry, James Monroe, James Madison, William Henry Harrison, and John Tyler;

Whereas the James River's natural resources, scenic beauty, and recreational opportunities continue to enhance the quality of life of visitors and the people living along it;

Whereas Congress passed the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Act of 2000, committing the Federal Government to achieve improved water quality and improvements in the productivity of living resources in the James River, as a tributary to the Chesapeake Bay;

Whereas the year 2007 marks the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown;

Whereas, throughout 2006 and 2007, many events are planned as part of America's 400th Anniversary, which is an 18-month commemoration of the historic events that occurred on and around the James River in 1607 and the enduring world-wide significance of those historic events: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes Virginia's James River as “America's Founding River”;

(2) recognizes the extraordinary historic, economic, recreational, and environmental importance of the James River;

(3) encourages the people of the United States to observe and celebrate the James River's contribution to our Nation's history with appropriate ceremonies and activities during America's 400th Anniversary; and

(4) recommits itself to protecting and restoring the James River for the enjoyment and prosperity of current and future generations.

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, H. Res. 16 would grant the recognition of the House to Virginia's James River as “America's Founding River.”

The resolution was introduced by our colleague, Representative JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia.

The James River rises in the Allegheny Mountains and flows to the Chesapeake Bay. It is one of the longest rivers in our country to lie in a single state.

Mr. Speaker, Native Americans gave the name of their great chief Powhatan to the river that nourished the tribes along its banks.

In 1607, when English colonists established their first permanent settlement in America, they named the river—and their new town—after King James the First.

The James River sustained those early settlers, supported the growth of the first colonial capital in America, and provided a route for the first westwardbound pioneers.

The land along the James was home to many of our founding fathers and presidents, and great mansions still grace its shores.

Mr. Speaker, H. Res. 16 would grant the recognition of the House to the historic, economic, recreational and environmental importance of the James River and encourages the people of the U.S. to celebrate the contributions of the river to our Nation's history as part of the ceremonies and activities during Jamestown's 400th anniversary.

The resolution also reminds us of our commitment in 2000, as part of the Chesapeake Bay Restoration Act, to improving water quality in the bay's tributaries, including the James, and calls on us to recommit ourselves to protecting and restoring that great river.

Mr. Speaker, we have no objection to H. Res. 16, and urge its passage.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 days to revise and extend their remarks on the 10 measures previously considered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from the Virgin Islands?

There was no objection.

MAKING INDIVIDUALS EMPLOYED BY ROOSEVELT CAMPOBELLO INTERNATIONAL PARK COMMISSION ELIGIBLE TO OBTAIN FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform be discharged from further consideration of the Senate bill (S. 1099) to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to make individuals employed by the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission eligible to obtain Federal health insurance, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the Senate bill, as follows:

S. 1099

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. HEALTH INSURANCE.

Section 8901(1) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

- (1) in subparagraph (H), by striking “and” at the end;
- (2) in subparagraph (I), by inserting “and” after the semicolon; and
- (3) by inserting before the matter following subparagraph (I) the following:
- “(J) an individual who is employed by the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission and is a citizen of the United States.”

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, S. 1099 is a bill that makes a U.S. citizen employed by

the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission eligible to obtain Federal health insurance.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the swift passage of this bill.

The Senate bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

NOTICE

Incomplete record of House proceedings. Except for concluding business which follows, today's House proceedings will be continued in the next issue of the Record.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. SUTTON (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Mr. McNULTY (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today and until 2:00 p.m. July 31 on account of travel delays related to weather.

Mr. HAYES (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today on account of illness in the family.

Ms. FOXX, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 59 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, July 31, 2007, at 9 a.m., for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2728. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Demonstration Programs-Model Demonstration Projects to Improve the Postsecondary and Employment Outcomes of Youth with Disabilities — received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2724. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — The Individuals With Disabilities Education Act Paperwork Waiver Demonstration Program (RIN: 1820-ZA42) received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2725. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations Office of General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — The Individuals With Disabilities Education Act Multi-Year Individualized Education Program Demonstration Program (RIN: 1820-ZA41) received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2726. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations Office of General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Technical Assistance on Data Collection-Technical Assistance Center for Data Collection, Analysis, and Use for Accountability in Special Education and Early Intervention — received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2727. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations Office of General Counsel, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Technical Assistance on Data Collection-General Su-

pervision Enhancement Grants — received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2728. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research-Disability and Rehabilitation Research Projects and Centers Program-Rehabilitation Research and Training Centers (RRTCs) — received July 23, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2729. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final rule — Technical Assistance on Data Collection—General Supervision Enhancement Grants — received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

2730. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Mgmt. Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Orthopedic Devices; Reclassification of the Intervertebral Body Fusion Device [Docket No. 2006N-0019] received July 3, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2731. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Implementation Plan Revision; State of New Jersey [Docket No. EPA-R02-OAR-2006-0162, FRL-8444-9] received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2732. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Clarification of Visible Emission Exceptions [EPA-R03-OAR-2005-MD-0002; FRL-8447-6] received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2733. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; States of Arizona and Nevada; Interstate Transport of Pollution [EPA-R09-OAR-2007-0295 FRL-8443-5] received July 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2734. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval of New Jersey's

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. GRIJALVA) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. RUSH, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JEFFERSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CONYERS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KILPATRICK, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TOWNS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BUTTERFIELD, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. COHEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PAYNE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ROTHMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. McCARTHY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. LEE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. COURTNEY, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. FOXX) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GOHMERT, for 5 minutes, today, July 31, August 1, and 2.